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SUBJECT: MULTI-REGIONAL TELEVISION PROJECT

REF: (A) STATE 173178 (B) LAGOS A-175 (C) LAGOS 8063

1. EMBASSY SUBMITS PART II OV IV NOMINATIONS FOR ENAHORO,  
IFODE AND OKPE.

A. FULL NAME: MR. MICHAEL ENAHORO

PRESENT POSITION: ANNOUNCER, NEWSCASTER, INTERVIEWER, HOST  
(LAGOSCOPE): NBC-TV, LAGOS.

PAST POSITIONS : NIL

DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH: [Sensitive Information Removed Per NARA 4 September 2013]: AKURE, WESTERN STATE

PRESENT CITIZENSHIP : NIGERIAN: NONE PREVIOUS

SEX: MALE MARITAL STATUS: MARRIED CHILDREN: 4 - 2 MALE 2

FEMALE

AGE: 8, 8, (TWINS) 4, 2.

EMERGENCY NAME AND ADDRESS: MRS. JULIE ENAHORO

18A, GLOVER ROAD

IKOYI, LAGOS

EDUCATION: ST. GREGORY'S COLLEGE, LAGOS: LONDON SCHOOL OF

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ART: MAURICE BAUMAN SCHOOL OF SINGING: HILDER HOLGER  
SCHOOL OF MODERN AND CLASSICAL BALLET 1961-62: LONDON SCHOOL  
OF TELEVISION PRODUCTION 1962-65

HONORS AND MEMBERSHIPS: TV PERSONALITY OF THE YEAR, 1971:  
MEMBER, IKOYI CLUD, LAGOS 1973/74

PUBLICATIONS : NIL

PREVIOUS US TRAVEL: NIL

PREVIOUS TRAVEL OTHER COUNTRIES: BRITAIN, FRANCE, BELGIUM,  
GERMANY BETWEEN 1960 -73.

KNOWLEDGE OF ENGLISH/OTHER LANGUAGES: EXCELLENT: YORUBA,  
SOME FRENCH

PROFESSIONAL INTERESTS: TV, RADIO PROGRAMMING: FILM PRODUCTION  
TECHNIQUES: MEDIA ADVERTISING, ESPECIALLY  
RADIO/TV: TV RENTAL SYSTEMS (TO STUDY WAYS OF INCREASING  
AVAILABILITY OF TV TO POORER PEOPLE): OPERATIONS OF THEATRICAL  
SCHOOLS: VOA: NATIONAL PUBLIC SERVICE RADIO: COMMERCIAL RADIO  
STATIONS: BRIEFINGS RELATED TO OIL, PREFERABLY FROM GULF OR  
MOBIL (FOR BACKGROUND INFORMATION RE COVERAGE).

BUSINESS INTERESTS: IN ANTICIPATION BLACK ARTS, FESTIVAL, HOPES  
TO MAKE CONTACT WITH THEATRICAL AGENTS AND OWNERS FOOD VENDING  
CHAINS RE POTENTIAL APPLICATIONS THESE VENTURES IN NIGERIA.  
AVOCATIONAL INTERESTS: GOLF, TENNIS, FOOTBALL, SQUASH,  
BADMINTON. ENAHORO, AVID GOLF FAN, REQUESTS HOMESTAY  
WITH FAMILY WHO LIKES GOLFING SO THAT TIME CAN BE SPENT  
DISCUSSING GAME AL LEISURE.

ADVISE IF THIS SPECIAL REQUEST FEASIBLE.

B. FULL NAME : MR. FRIDAY IFODE

PRESENT POSITION : HEAD OF PRODUCTION, MIDWEST TV, BENIN CITY

PAST POSITION : HEAD OF PRESENTATION, MIDWEST TV, BENIN CITY:  
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HEAD OF PRESENTATION, NBC-TV, LAGOS:  
SENIOR ANNOUNCER, VOICE OF NIGERIA, LAGOS.

DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH: [Sensitive Information Removed Per NARA 4 September 2013]: UNKNOWN

PRESENT CITIZENSHIP: NIGERIA NONE PREVIOUS

SEX: MALE MARITAL STATUS: UNKNOWN

EMERGENCY NAME AND ADDRESS: MR. CHURCHILL IFODE  
NIGERIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION  
IKOYI, LAGOS

PREVIOUS TRAVEL TO THE US: NONE

OTHER COUNTRIES : WEST GERMANY, GREAT BRITAIN - JULY - SEPT. 1973

KNOWLEDGE OF ENGLISH: SPEAKING: COMPREHENSION: READING - GOOD

OTHER LANGUAGES : ISOKO

PROFESSIONAL INTERESTS: TV PRODUCTION

BUSINESS INTERESTS : NON

AVOCATIONAL INTERESTS AND HOBBIES : UNKNOWN

C. FULL NAME : MR. GODWIN I. OKPE

PRESENT POSITION: PRODUCER/DIRECTOR, NOP TV, JOS

PAST POSITIONS: SCRIPT WRITER, RADIO-TELEVISION, KADUNA

DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH: [Sensitive Information Removed Per NARA 4 September 2013]: OTURKPO, BENUE PLATEAU  
STATE

PRESENT CITIZENSHIP : NIGERIAN: NONE PREVIOUS

SEX: MALE MARITAL STATUS: UNKNOWN

EMERGENCY NAME AND ADDRESS: NOP TV  
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BENUE PLATEAU STATE

EDUCATION: ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE, ZARIA (1967): AHMADU BELLO  
UNIVERSITY, ZARIA (B.A.) HONS, 1972: GRADUATE  
CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION, AHMADU BELLO UNIVERSITY

HONORS AND MEMBERSHIPS: BROADCASTING ORGANIZATION OF NIGERIA(BON)

PREVIOUS VISIT TO THE US: NIL

OTHER COUNTRIES : GHANA - 1970 (CONFERENCE OF STUDENT CHRISTIANS):  
UNITED KINGDOM 1970 - TOURISM

KNOWLEDGE OF ENGLISH: SPEAKING: COMPREHENSION: READING: GOOD

OTHER LANGUAGES : TIV

PROFESSIONAL INTERESTS ; TIV PRODUCTION/DIRECTING

BUSINESS INTERESTS : NIL

AVOCATIONAL INTERESTS AND HOBBIES: UNKNOWN

2. PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS: IN ADDITION TO FULL PARTICIPATION IN SYRACUSE TV PROJECT, EMBASSY SUGGESTS THAT EACH PARTICIPANT'S PROGRAM INCLUDE VISITS TO NBC-TV (NEW YORK AND LOS ANGELES) AND HEADQUARTERS OF PBS: LARGE NEWS AGENCIES SUCH AS AP/UPI, EITHER IN WASHINGTON OR NEW YORK: VOA AND IMV. SUGGEST GRANTEES ALSO BE EXPOSED TO ASPECTS OF HOLLYWOOD FILM INDUSTRY AND ATTEND STUDIO PRODUCTION SUCH AS JOHNNY CARSON. SEE REFERENCE B FOR FURTHER PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS.

3. PROPOSED US ARRIVAL SCHEDULE: SEPTEMBER 8, 1974.  
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